

**REMARKS**

Claims 20-22, 24, 25, 29-32, 34-37, 45-46 and 50 are pending in this application.

Claims 20, 37 and 50 have been amended by the present Amendment.

Amended claims 20, 37 and 50 do not introduce any new subject matter.

**NEW MATTER OBJECTION**

The Examiner maintains that FIG. 11D and the material added to the specification in the previous Amendment constitute new matter. Without conceding the merits of the Examiner's objection, in order to advance prosecution of the instant application, Applicant has removed the subject matter added to the specification in the previous Amendment, and requests that Fig. 11D be canceled.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(d)(1), a marked-up copy of the drawing sheet for Fig. 11D is filed herewith including an annotation showing that the drawing has been canceled. The marked-up (annotated) copy is labeled as "Annotated Sheet".

**DRAWING OBJECTION**

The Examiner objects to the drawings as not showing the wedge positioned in a recess on a rear panel, as recited in claims 20, 37 and 50. Applicant has amended claims 20, 37 and 50 to remove reference to the recess. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

**AMENDMENT TO SPECIFICATION AND REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET**

Applicant has amended the specification to state that "a height h2 of the adjustable wedge 416 is substantially less than a height h1 of the housing 410/510", "[f]or example, the height h2 is less than about  $\frac{1}{2}$  the height h1 of the housing 410/510". Applicant has also amended Fig. 11C in accordance with the specification

amendments. A replacement drawing sheet showing changes to Fig. 11C and labeled "Replacement Sheet" is filed herewith.

Applicant submits that no new matter is added by the amendment, and that the amendment and drawing changes have been added to illustrate that which was already disclosed.

### **REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103**

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of (1) claims 20-22, 24, 25, 29-31, 34-37, 45 and 46 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,380,978 ("Adams") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,371,345 ("Leyden") and JP 06197245 ("Yoshioka"), and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,994,236 ("Hsu"); and (2) claims 32 and 50 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Adams in view of Leyden, Yoshioka, and Hsu, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,216,927 ("Meritt").

Claims 20, 37 and 50 essentially recite, *inter alia*, that one end of the wedge is positioned on a rear panel of the housing and another end of the wedge is butted against the seat, wherein a height of the wedge is substantially less than a height of the housing.

For example, referring to amended paragraph 0061 on pages 20-21, and amended Fig. 11C of Applicant's disclosure, a height h2 of the adjustable wedge 416 is substantially less than a height h1 of the housing 410/510. For example, the height h2 is less than about  $\frac{1}{2}$  the height h1 of the housing 410/510. Applicant submits that the compact size of the wedge permits free movement of the wedge up and down the panel to change the tilt angle of the display 452.

Applicant respectfully submits that Adams, when taken alone, or in combination with Leyden, Yoshioka, Hsu and/or Meritt does not disclose or suggest the wedge as claimed.

The Examiner admits that Adams is silent regarding any structural details of a wedge, and relies on Hsu to cure the deficiency in Adams.

However, in contrast to the claimed embodiments, what Examiner refers to as the wedge in Hsu does not have a height that is substantially less than a height of the housing. Indeed, the height of element 3 in Hsu is equal to or greater than the height of the housing because element 3 is a seat to support the monitor 5 and monitor casing 51, and attach them to a vehicle seat. Accordingly, seat 3 must be large enough to carry out the attachment and support functions. Further, there is no need in Hsu to have a wedge small enough to permit free movement of the wedge up and down the rear panel to change the tilt angle. Instead, Hsu uses a different mechanism, namely pivot rods 37, to change the tilt angle.

Accordingly, for at least these reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 20, 37 and 50 are patentable over Adams in view of Leyden, Yoshioka and Hsu and further in view of Meritt.

In addition, for at least the reason that claims 21, 22, 24, 25, 29-32, and 34-36 depend from claim 20, and claims 45 and 46 depend from claim 37, claims 21, 22, 24, 25, 29-32, 34-36, 45 and 46 are also submitted to be patentable over the cited references.

As such, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 20-22, 24, 25, 29-32, 34-37, 45, 46 and 50 under 35 U.S.C. §

103(a).

**DEPENDENT CLAIMS**

Applicant has not independently addressed the rejections of all the dependent claims because Applicant submits that, in view of the amendments to the claims presented herein and, for at least similar reasons as why the independent claims from which the dependent claims depend are believed allowable as discussed, *supra*, the dependent claims are also allowable. Applicant however, reserves the right to address any individual rejections of the dependent claims should such be necessary or appropriate.

An early and favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments, the Examiner may telephone Applicant's Attorney to reach a prompt disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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ANNOTATED SHEET

